

bobble hat

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You will need: 4 x 10mm double pointed knitting needles, any two colours of super chunky yarn and some spare yarn to make a pom pom.

pattern

1. In colour A cast on 12 Stitches
2. Rounds 1&2: Purl
3. Round 3: Knit
4. Change to Colour B
5. Rounds 4-11: Knit
6. Round 12: *K2tog, K2* repeat (9 stitches)
7. Round 13 - *K1, K2tog* rep (should now have 6 stitches)
8. Cut yarn and thread through the remaining 6 stitches, pull thread tight to cinch the hole and knot inside the hat
9. Fold the bottom rows (in colour A) over
10. Make a little pompom with spare yarn in any colour you fancy and stitch or tie it onto the top of the hat

how to make a mini pom pom

1. Take a fork with evenly spaced prongs.
2. Place the end of the yarn through the middle prong, leaving a longish tail.
3. Wrap yarn around all of the prongs a number of times.
4. Cut the yarn leaving 15cm and tie together tightly with the yarn that you left at the beginning. The shape now resembles a bow.
5. Slip all the wool off your fork.
6. Take a pair of very sharp scissors and carefully insert them into one side of the bow shape.
7. Cut the loops of yarn in half, taking care not to cut the yarn wrapped around the middle.
8. Repeat on the other side.
9. Shake the mini pom pom to release all the fibres of the yarn and carefully give it a trim until you are happy with the final shape. Add to the top of your hat.



Abbreviations K2tog - Knit 2 stitches together K1 - Knit 1 stitch K2 - Knit 2 stitches Rep - repeat instructions in * until end of round